

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): The article in the Madras Mail was this. When rubber tyres manufactured in India are used for a motor car which is to be taken out of India, the tyres have to be removed because there is no quota for that rubber used for the manufacture of that tyre. I request that the Government of India may be addressed in the matter.

Mr. A. B. Salem (Mattancheri): Is this article an official communication?

Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam): It is an article for public information.

Mr. A. B. Salem (Mattancheri): Is there any car exported from India?

Mr. P. J. George (Joint Secretary to Government): I want notice.

ERNAKULAM DRAINAGE SCHEME—COMPLETION OF

258. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (Cranganur): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the scheme for the drainage of Ernakulam has been completed, and also the nature of the suggestions made by the Executive Engineer in the Public Health Department of the Madras Government?

Mr. P. J. George (Joint Secretary to Government): The drainage scheme has not been completed. It is being prepared by the Executive Engineer in the Public Health Department of the Government of Madras.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (Cranganur): May I know when the preparation was begun?

Mr. P. J. George (Joint Secretary to Government): I want notice.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi): Is it expected to be completed soon?

Mr. P. J. George (Joint Secretary to Government): It may be completed shortly. I cannot say when.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (Cranganur): May I know whether it will be completed in the course of two years?

Mr. P. J. George (Joint Secretary to Government): I may say for the information of the House that it will be completed much earlier than that.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (Kattur): May I know, whether any money is spent on that?

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (*Kattur*): Government is spending money on something over which it has no control?

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): The Government have control.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Is the Executive Engineer of the Public Health Department of Madras in Cochin now?

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): Whenever there is necessity he will be here. Now there is an Assistant who looks after it.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Is he a servant of the Cochin Government?

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): He is paid by the Government and supervised by the other officer.

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): May I know whether the Madras Government is rendering an honorary service to this Government in this matter?

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): Yes. But we may give some honorarium to the Engineer.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon (*Cranganur*): May I know whether the Hon'ble Member for Mattancheri is rendering an honorary service to the Madras Government by this question?

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to send the extract of the proceedings of this question to the Government of Madras?

Mr. A. B. Salem (*Mattancheri*): I am really rendering a service to the Cochin State. Because if you are going to cast aspersions on the persons who are doing honorary works for us nobody will be prepared to do it in future.

UNCOUPONED BURMA RUBBER—RESTRICTION OF IMPORT

259. **Mr. V. J. Mathai** (*Planters*): Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether any action is being taken by the Government of India in the matter of the import of uncouped Burma Rubber into India in pursuance to our representations to that effect;